ABSTRACT

The present invention is directed to reduced B-frame decoding. According to the present invention, the number of transform coefficients in B-frames are reduced to produce reduced B-frames. Also, inverse scanning and inverse quantization is performed on the reduced B-frames. Further, an inverse transform is performed on the reduced B-frames. In one embodiment of the present invention, the reduced B-frames are produced by identifying blocks associated with the B-frames and selecting transform coefficients included in a predetermined area of the identified blocks.